

GERMAN DRIVE NOW LOSING MOMENTUM---LATEST EFFORT ALONG A NARROWING FRONT

British Believe That Situation Is Now Well In Hand and That Advance of Foe Has Now Almost Reached Its Limit

WASHINGTON, March 27.—(Associated Press)—While the great German offensive is apparently slowing down and losing momentum, there are many indications that the Allies are almost prepared to launch a counter offensive as smashing in its nature as the mighty thrust of von Hindenburg has been.

For this drive against the German line the Entente will use the reserve army organized and prepared under the directions of the supreme war council, an army which will be neither British, French nor American, but the Grand Army of the Allies.

That somewhere soon a great blow is to be struck against the Huns is evident, but just when and at just what point of the western line is not known except to those moving the many army corps to their assigned positions.

While the reports from General Haig announce the launching of fresh Teuton assaults upon his lines and Berlin reports exultantly that the second phase of the offensive has begun, it is apparent from the despatches from both the British and German headquarters that the German effort is slackening. Instead of moving in a wide sweeping front, the German effort is now drawing down to a single wedge, directed at a point south of Albert.

CANNOT WIDEN THIS WEDGE

The tip of this wedge is being driven forward slowly, but the desperate efforts of the Germans to widen this wedge have resulted in failure, despite the fact that von Hindenburg has sacrificed whole brigades before the British fire in his desperate efforts.

The Germans are drawing reserves for the continuation of the offensive from every section of their western front and weakening many points of their line in order to carry through what they have started in their drive for the Channel ports. Conservative estimates give the German losses as between ten and twenty percent of their whole force engaged. Already nearly twenty divisions have had to be withdrawn for reorganization, while many of those left in the fighting have been decimated. The Germans are now using seventy divisions in their line.

HAIG'S OFFICIAL REPORT

General Haig, in his official despatches, states that the Germans are pressing the battle along the whole front south of the Somme, while a fresh offensive has been started in the neighborhood of Chaubert.

Correspondents at British headquarters report that the Germans have launched another terrific assault along a line roughly from Hattencourt to Roye, some five miles. Hattencourt is five miles directly west of Nesle. Farther north another offensive has been started, south of Suzanne, but this is much less powerful than the drive south of the Somme and is being undertaken probably for strategic reasons and to hold the British reserves from being withdrawn to the assistance of the defense along the Hattencourt-Roye line.

ALLIES IN GOOD SHAPE

The Allies are probably now better able to contest the further advance of the Germans than at any time since the offensive started, say the reports from British headquarters. The belief at British headquarters is that important events will lead soon to a betterment of the position of the Allied armies and to the stemming of the German onslaught.

The Germans are fighting against time. On the first day of the great battle the German reserves were reduced to fifty-two divisions, and on the second day, so fierce and with such massed ranks were the attacks made, forty of these remaining reserve divisions were thrown against the Allied line.

An instance of the power of the British, in spite of the pounding to which they have been subjected, is the complete smashing of a German attack about Erville. Here the British held and their artillery hurled back the Teuton advance entirely.

PUNISHING ENEMY SEVERELY

A Reuter's despatch declares that the British are exacting the very heaviest toll of lives from the German armies, while withdrawing slowly before the massed attacks of the enemy. The retirement is voluntary so that the British can maintain an unbroken front.

To fill the gaps caused by the British losses, the British authorities have decided to place the recruiting machinery in motion at once throughout the country. The miners have placed their unions at the disposal of the recruiters.

FRENCH FALL BACK SOME

Paris reports the evacuation yesterday of Noyon, with the French taking up strong positions on the left bank of the Oise, where they have driven back the repeated efforts of the Germans to cross.

It is estimated by aero corps officers that since the offensive was launched on Thursday the British and French flyers have shot down one hundred and thirty German machines.

WASHINGTON IS CONFIDENT

An official statement issued at Washington yesterday by the war department says that Germany's tremendous efforts on the western front are causing her staggering losses before the real defenders of the Allies have been met.

This official statement on the war also makes further explanation of the German declaration that American regiments were thrown back at Chaubert and Chaulnes. It is thought that these were engineers, not infantrymen.

War department officials believe that the battle despatches noting American participation in the fight refer to United States engineers who have been performing perilous transportation service at the front. It is recalled how the United States engineers similarly at the battle of Cambrai last year dropped their tools, took rifles and fought bravely.

General March, chief of staff, stated today that General Pershing has not reported the participation of American troops in the battle. The officials are much gratified over the despatch from British army headquarters saying: "The American engineers are again in fierce conflict, where they have done excellent work in transportation."

The German losses are conservatively estimated at more than 100,000 a day, this estimate being by members of the Allied military mission now here. The best German divisions have been decimated, though the first real defense of the Allies is still not reached, with strong Allied reserves waiting.

AUSTRIA WAITING FOR HUN VICTORY

If von Hindenburg Succeeds in France Another Drive In Italy Will Come

WASHINGTON, March 27.—(Associated Press)—There were only the usual artillery duels and patrol clashes along the Italian front yesterday, according to official advice received at the Italian embassy, but the signs are not lacking that the Austro-Germans are planning to resume an offensive on this front.

General Aulenberg, formerly the Austrian minister of war, is quoted as saying that the resumption of the Austrian offensive against the Venetian lines is closely bound up with the success of the German drive in France.

If that offensive succeeds, he says, it seems likely to do, the next move will be a general advance on the Italian front.

JAPAN UNDECIDED REGARDING BOLSHEVIKI

TOKIO, March 26.—(Special Cable to Hawaii Shiping)—Viscount Motono, minister of foreign affairs, in addressing both houses of the Japanese diet today, announced that Japan has not yet decided to take an open stand against the Russian Maximilians in Western Siberia, and that the government has not as yet made up its mind to mobilize an army for action in Siberia.

SAYS MOTONO MAY RESIGN

TOKIO, March 26.—(Special Cable to Nippon Jiji)—A persistent rumor prevails in this city that Viscount Motono, minister of foreign affairs, is about to resign his portfolio. It is understood that his resignation will be announced after adjournment of the diet.

The closing ceremony of the diet will take place on Wednesday morning, when Emperor Yoshihito will be present. Viscount Y. Uchida, Japanese ambassador to Russia, who left Petrograd a few weeks ago with other representatives of the Allies, is expected to arrive in Tokyo this evening. His report on the Russian-Siberian situation and recommendation as to an intervention in Russia to protect Siberia from German occupation which will be made, a Premier Teruchi will have considerable weight in shaping Japan's final policy toward Russia.

PENSION FOR EX-KING CONSTANTINE REFUSED

ATHENS, March 27.—(Associated Press)—The budget committee of parliament has voted against granting former King Constantine a pension of half a million drachmas. The pension was promised Constantine on recommendation of the Allies when he was deposed and forced to leave Greece.

RED GUARDS DEFEATED, FLEEING IN FINLAND

STOCKHOLM, March 26.—(Associated Press)—After weeks of civil war between the Finnish "red guards" and "white guards," the "reds" have been defeated in a battle in which their front was broken. They are fleeing southward in a panic, leaving behind them a trail of blood, and many prisoners.

AMERICAN FLYER KILLED

WASHINGTON, March 26.—(Associated Press)—Ensign Richard Delahanty, U. S. N., of Boston was killed today while flying at Pensacola, Florida, in a seaplane.

"Blue" Spells Mean Bad Kidneys?

"Blue," worried, half-sick people should find out the cause of their troubles. Often it is merely faulty kidney action, which allows the blood to be loaded up with poisons that irritate the nerves. Backache, headache, dizziness, and annoying bladder troubles are added proofs that the kidneys need help. Use Doan's Backache Kidney Pills. Thousands thank them for relief from just such troubles.

When Your Back Is Lame—Remember the Name. (Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—ask distinctly for Doan's Backache Kidney Pills and be sure you get them.)

Doan's Backache Kidney Pills are sold by all druggists and storekeepers, or will be mailed on receipt of price by the Bulletin Drug Co., of Boston, Smith & Co., agents for the Hawaiian Islands. (Advertisement.)

SIXTEEN BIG CANNON PLANTS COMPLETED

WASHINGTON, March 26.—(Official)—The ordnance bureau announces the virtual completion of sixteen large American plants for the manufacture of cannon. The same statement speaks of the rapid progress in the construction of numerous other great war plants.

DEPENDENCY DUE TO CONSTIPATION

Women often become nervous and dependent. When this is due to constipation it is easily corrected by taking an occasional dose of Chamberlain's Tablets. These tablets are easy to take and pleasant in effect. For sale by all dealers. Bennett Smith & Co., Ltd., agents for Hawaii. (Advt.)

ONLY CHANCE FOR PINKHAM IS FLUKE SAYS E. S. GOODHUE

No Possibility of Governor Being Renominated But Might Be Allowed To Go By Default

HUTCHINS AND RAYMOND PROMISING CANDIDATES

Bill Providing Bone-Dry Prohibition For Hawaii Sure of Passage By Big Majority

There is only one possible chance that Lucius E. Pinkham will remain Governor of the Territory of Hawaii for another four years—and that is through a default in the announced intention of Secretary Lane to make a recommendation favoring another man," declared Dr. E. S. Goodhue, when he stepped off the S. S. Mauna yesterday, following a trip to the Capital of more than three months.

"If the appointment had been made under political conditions which prevailed in Washington while I was there, I know that Governor Pinkham would have been a private citizen," he added. Doctor Goodhue said that from all assurances which he received from Secretary Lane and others there was no apparent hitch in the making of the new appointment, but conditions which have obtained since that time make him apprehensive that the matter may possibly be allowed to go by default.

Lane Out of Favor

"I know that President Wilson would not oppose the candidate whom Secretary Lane told me he would recommend, but I know that the disposition of the President to abide by Mr. Lane's judgment without reservation has undergone a change, and this may result in the matter being allowed to go by default," said Doctor Goodhue.

While affirming that Governor Pinkham has distinctly placed himself out of favor at the Capital through his failure to follow the President and for weakness on the subjects of temperance and vice, Doctor Goodhue said he was not at liberty to name the man whom he was told in confidence would be recommended.

No Hope for Link

"It was not McCandless, of that much I can assure the citizens of Honolulu," I may say that both C. J. Hutchins and Dr. J. H. Raymond are promising candidates, although Goodhue knows there are few residents of Honolulu whose names have not been urged for the office," he said.

Doctor Goodhue says that the senate bill making the Territory dry after July 1 is assured of passage by an overwhelming majority. After a three weeks' canvass of senators on the subject he encountered only one Senator, Weeks of Massachusetts, who would not promise full support for it. Senators Ollie James and Lodge, from whom he had expected some opposition, both gave assurance that they will vote and work for its passage.

Organ "Dry Order"

Doctor Goodhue is jubilant over the news of success which attended his efforts on the liquor question for Honolulu. It was only after repeated conferences with President Wilson, Secretary Baker, Lane and Daniels and Attorney General Gregory that he received assurance that a means of putting the measure into action had been arrived at, although there was never any opposition to it after he stated conditions that obtained here. Within twenty days after he received assurance from the lips of President Wilson himself he was able to cable the tidings of the success of his efforts to Honolulu. He was also instrumental, in connection with Senator Morris Sheppard of Texas, in securing similar regulations for San Antonio, Texas, which he visited before reaching Washington, and which he found to be in a more serious condition than Honolulu.

Roosevelt is Wilding

"I see one great political certainty, a result of my audiences with members of congress, which I believe is not fully appreciated in Hawaii," said Doctor Goodhue. "It is, according to my observation, a foregone conclusion that Theodore Roosevelt will be the next Republican candidate for the Presidency. Both Republicans and Democrats are certain of it, and when I visited the home of Mr. Roosevelt in New York, upon his invitation, I put the matter to him directly. He told me definitely that if he is nominated for the Presidency by the Republican party he will accept."

Doctor Goodhue's arrival in Honolulu was delayed on account of an automobile accident which occurred in San Francisco, which laid him up in a hospital for two weeks with bruises and a dislocation.

BIG FUND RAISED FOR ARMENIAN-SYRIAN RELIEF

NEW YORK, March 26.—(Associated Press)—The American committee on Armenian and Syrian relief reported today that the February receipts were \$681,618, making a total to date of \$8,240,168.

OPPOSE LABOR CONFERENCE

LONDON, March 25.—(Associated Press)—The Seamen's and Firemen's Unions of England have decided that their members shall refuse to sail on any ship conveying delegates to the proposed inter-Allied labor conference in the United States.

PATROLLER FOUNDERED

PLYMOUTH, Massachusetts, March 27.—(Associated Press)—The governor sent patrol boat Admiral was lost yesterday, foundering. All the officers and members of the crew were saved.

RYAN'S SALOON IN HONOLULU MEETING PLACE OF PLOTTERS

Plans of Local Fortifications, Docks, Government Buildings Found On I. W. W. Men Who Are Caught On Coast

SAN FRANCISCO, March 27.—(Associated Press)—Paddy Ryan's saloon in Honolulu is the rendezvous of a gang of I. W. W. plotters who are believed to have been conspiring there against the United States and in the interests of Germany, according to evidence now in the hands of the San Francisco police and federal authorities.

John Glover, a mess boy, and James Jarmick, a waiter, were arrested here yesterday and taken from a steamer which was on the point of departing for the Antipodes. They were searched and there was found on them plans of the docks, fortifications and government buildings of Honolulu.

In addition the officers discovered on the persons of the two men arrested a list of names of I. W. W. enemies of America who are plotting in Honolulu against the United States and working for the success of Germany in the war.

Glover and Jarmick had also lists of all shipping engaged in the Pacific trade, and a map of Honolulu upon which a saloon was indicated marked "Paddy Ryan."

The two prisoners had likewise a note instructing the "comrades to meet at Ryans."

The police said last night that the lists in the possession of the prisoners would undoubtedly cause further arrests. According to them, Glover represented himself as a New South Wales secret service agent.

At Ryan's saloon last night Frank McShane, manager, said he had no knowledge of either of the two men arrested in San Francisco, though for all he knew they might have visited the saloon, as many men employed in the steamer do.

"But I have never heard any I. W. W. talk around here," he added. "If I had, I would have thrown out whoever uttered it, as I have thrown out men who made pro-German statements."

United States Attorney G. S. Huber said he had received no advice from the mainland as to I. W. W. activities in Honolulu and knew of no contemplated action here.

It is evident, however, from the Associated Press despatch that a nest of I. W. W. and Hun conspirators in Honolulu has been uncovered, and rapid developments may be expected when the names on the list of "comrades" taken from the men arrested in San Francisco are forwarded to this city. It may be noted that on the same day the two alleged plotters were arrested in San Francisco, a tremendous explosion destroyed great warehouses in Jersey City and endangered the entire Hudson waterfront.

Honolulu has had no such disaster—yet.

AMERICAN GUNNERS SHELL HUNS OUT OF A TOWN ON GERMAN SOIL

WASHINGTON, March 27.—(Associated Press)—American shells have forced the Germans to evacuate one of their depot points within their own territory, according to official reports received from the American front in France last night. This evacuated point is the town of Richcourt, two miles with the German borders east of Lunville, on the Saarburg railroad.

There was a lively artillery duel along this sector of the Lorraine front yesterday, the German batteries opening upon the Americans with mustard gas shells, which they dropped into the American lines at the rate of ten a hour. The American gunners took up the challenge, replying with a hurricane of gas shells, which demolished segments of the German defenses and drove them back beyond range of the gas.

This duel was maintained during the day, the German reply becoming very weak in comparison to the bombardment maintained by the Americans.

Under cover of their own shells, American patrols were sent out, these penetrating far into the German lines, destroying dumps and bringing back information that led to the belief that the gas shells have compelled an evacuation of the Richcourt position. This town has more than six miles east of the American batteries.

Thirty-three names are included in the casualty list forwarded to the War department yesterday by General Pershing. Twelve deaths are reported, two in action, three from accidental causes, and seven from disease. One American was severely wounded in action and ten others slightly wounded.

Among the latter are Major George J. Lawrence, Major Timothy J. Moynihan and Lieut. George F. Patton.

Kaiser's Drive Must Be Answered By Success of New Loan

WASHINGTON, March 26.—(Official)—Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo today announced further details of the third Liberty Loan, which will be launched on April 6. This loan will be for three billion dollars at four and a quarter percent interest.

It is noted that the credits to the Allies now total \$4,960,600,000. Further cash is required so as to permit the United States to continue its loans during the summer at about five hundred million dollars monthly.

The previous first and second loans, which were respectively at three and a half and four percent interest, are convertible into the new issue, but the third loan will not be convertible into any further issue.

Secretary McAdoo's statement concluded: "Great events are now happening in France which must fire every American soul with new determination to furnish all the dollars and resources needed to end German militarism. Defeat faces the Kaiser. Let us hasten it by asserting America's might with increased vigor in concert with our gallant comrades."

Bryan Wants To Be Excused As Witness In Hindu Plot Case

SAN FRANCISCO, March 27.—(Associated Press)—William Jennings Bryan, who has been subpoenaed as a witness for the defense in the Hindu plot case, has asked to be excused on the ground that his time is taken up with government food conservation work. The attorneys for the defense are considering whether or not to grant his request.

Bryan was secretary of state at the time the plot to incite the natives of India to an uprising against the British was hatched. Many of the documents introduced by the prosecution as evidence against the defendants came from the office of the secretary of state.

HUNS TAKE EX-YALE PROFESSOR TO GERMANY

WASHINGTON, March 26.—(Associated Press)—Minister Morris called to the state department from Stockholm today that Maj. Henry S. Emory, ex-Yale professor and member of the Third Pacific Corps, has been taken from the Algha Islands in a German transport to Danzig. Emory was in Finland and was taken by the Germans from a neutral ship.